



Bulverde BBQ Bash 2026 Guidelines

BBQ COMPETITION - \$250 (\$200 No RV) Entry Fee for Team Spot, Chicken, Pork Spare Ribs, and Brisket

JACKPOT COMPETITIONS -

Cook's Choice - \$25

Salsa - \$25

Beans - \$25

Margarita - \$25

Dutch Oven Dessert - \$25

Mimosa - \$25

Kid's Cook - \$25 (Must be meat, can be smoked or grilled on site by cooker younger than 18).

All competition guidelines apply.

AWARDS/POINT SYSTEM -

Brisket, Ribs and Chicken - 1st through 3rd place
1st Place—\$250 + Trophy Piece + 2 Gift Card Pulls
2nd Place—\$150 + Trophy Piece + 1 Gift Card Pull
3rd Place—\$100 + Trophy Piece + 1 Gift Card Pull

4th through 10th place - Trophy piece

All Jackpot Categories - 1st through 3rd place
1st Place—\$150 + Trophy Piece + 2 Gift Card Pulls
2nd Place—\$100 + Trophy Piece + 1 Gift Card Pull
3rd Place—\$50 + Trophy Piece + 1 Gift Card Pull

4th through 10th place - Trophy piece

Grand Champion - \$300 + Trophy Piece + 2 Gift Card Pulls

Reserve Grand Champion - \$200 + Trophy Piece + 2 Gift Card Pulls

Points will be awarded to places 1st through 10th for the main meat categories (brisket, ribs & chicken). These points will be tallied to determine the Reserve and Grand Champion.

Event proceeds benefit the Bulverde Spring Branch Activity Center (BSBAC), a 501(c)(3) non-profit organization. BSBAC is happy to accept prize money donations back to the organization!

Thank you for your support!

GENERAL - The rules, guidelines and expectations have been put in place to protect the cooks, attendees and event coordinators. Your cooperation is appreciated.

LOCATION - Bulverde Community Center & Bulverde Bowling Club - 1747 East Ammann Road, Bulverde, TX 78163 is the site location.

ARRIVAL TIMES - Teams may begin set up on Thursday, February 26 at 12pm. Each team is required to check in with the Site Director to be directed to their designated team spot. All vehicles, aside from pits and RV's must be in designated parking by Friday, February 27 at 4:00pm. Each team may have 2 vehicles on cook-off site, additional vehicles will be required to park in the public parking area. Space is limited, your consideration is appreciated.

For the safety of event participants and attendees, golf carts, UTVs, ATVs, and bikes are not permitted. See event staff if you have a need for transportation within the event site.

TEAM SPOTS - Team spots will not be secured until registration and payment is received by BSBAC staff. Team spots will be assigned to each team upon check-in. Preferred placement requests will be considered, but can not be guaranteed. Team spots are *approximately* 40'x40' or 30'x50", 20'x20' if no RV. No stakes of any kind are to be driven into the asphalt.

Each team is responsible for their own cooking equipment, supplies and product.
Water and electricity will not be available.

ALCOHOL - The purpose of this event is to build community. All participants should strive to make it family friendly and inclusive. ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL MAY BE SOLD BY TEAMS DURING THE EVENT. The Bulverde Bowling Club will have beer for sale. Alcohol may be brought to and consumed in team spots and on grounds, but not brought in to the Bulverde Bowling Club, unless purchased from the Bulverde Bowling Club.

MEAT INSPECTION - Contest meat is *subject to* inspection by the Head Judge. Meat must be raw. All meat preparation must be on site. No pre-marinating, pre-soaking, injecting or pre-spicing is allowed.

COOKING RULES - Commercial or homemade pits/smokers may be used with only wood or wood product fire for cooking. NO GAS OR ELECTRIC cooking heat allowed. Gas or electric lighters/blowers are allowed. Gas grills and pellet smokers are prohibited.

TURN-IN TIMES - 10 min. prior and 10 min. after noted time.

LATE ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED FOR JUDGING

<u>Friday</u>	Salsa	7:00pm	<u>Saturday</u>	Mimosa	9:00am
	Margarita	7:30pm		Dutch Oven Dessert	10:00am
	Cook's Choice	8:00pm		Beans	11:00am
				Kid's Cook	12:00pm
				Chicken	1:00pm
People's Choice Judging	Saturday, 10am-3pm			Ribs	2:00pm
Last call for Raffle Tickets	Saturday, 3:30pm (in Community Center)			Brisket	3:00pm
Awards	Saturday, 4:00pm (in/at Community Center)				

TURN-IN CONTAINERS - Containers will be distributed immediately following the Head Cook Meeting on Friday, February 27 at 5:00pm. In an effort to expedite the distribution process, please have ONE team representative, preferably the Head Cook, pick up the containers and bring your team registration card, which will be provided in your team packet. Additional Jackpot entries may be purchased immediately prior to container pickup.

If a container is lost, damaged or marked in any way, a new container must be requested from the Head Judge or a Judging Representative. The Head Judge or Judging Representative may request product to be switched to a new container if he/she deems a container to be damaged or marked. Damaged or marked containers will not be accepted for judging.

TURN-IN QUANTITIES & REQUIREMENTS - This is not a sanctioned event; however, guidelines are set for consistency in order to provide a fair judging process.

*****NO GARNISH OR PUDDLING OF SAUCE ALLOWED *****

Brisket - 7 slices, approx. 1/4" to 3/8" thick, arranged east to west, parallel to the container hinge, layers permitted.

Pork Spare Ribs (*St. Louis Style allowed*) - 7 ribs, arranged east to west, parallel to the container hinge, layers permitted.

Chicken - Two halves, non disjointed chicken with skin on.

Beans - Fill cup 3/4 full, nothing larger than the bean allowed in the turn-in container. Beans must be pinto beans.

Cook's Choice & Kids' Cook - Entry can be anything except for sliced brisket, pork spare ribs, or chicken halves. Include approximately 20 bites (does not need to be cut into pieces).

Dutch Oven Dessert - Include approximately 20 bites (does not need to be cut into pieces).

Mimosa, Margarita and Salsa - Fill cup 3/4 full, lid must close completely with no garnish or dressing on outside of cup.

Brisket, Ribs, Chicken, Cook's Choice, Dutch Oven Dessert and Kid's Cook entries must be placed on the foil sheet provided with the container. If a replacement sheet is needed, see a Judging Representative.

Marked or damaged containers will not be accepted for judging. "Marked" includes garnish, foil sheet, etc. outside of the closed container or any type of marking on the container. "Damaged" is any scratch, dent or tear on the container or lid. Replacement containers are available in the judging area.

SANITARY CONDITIONS - The Head Judge may disqualify a team/contestant, based on his/her discretion, for unsanitary conditions or entries.

JUDGES - Each category will be judged through a double blind judging system to ensure anonymity of the cook.

HEAD COOKS MEETING - The Head Cook meeting will be held on Friday, February 27 at 5:00pm inside the Community Center to review guidelines and answer any questions. Turn-in trays, cups and foil will be distributed immediately following the meeting. You will have the opportunity to add jackpot categories after the meeting and prior to picking up your containers. You will receive a Team Card in your folder at check-in, you will need that card to receive your containers.

**For questions/additional information, contact
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